



Mullingar Parish
Cathedral of Christ the King,
St Paul's, Walshestown,
Brotentown & Gainstown
www.mullingarparish.ie

Advent

Priests of the Parish

Fr Padraig McMahon, Adm, VF
Fr Joseph Naikarakudy
Fr Paul Crosbie
Fr Robert McGivney

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9am-5pm
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Vigil Mass (Saturday)

Cathedral: 6pm

Sunday Mass Times

Cathedral: 8.30am, 11am, 12.30pm
St. Paul's: 10.30am, 12noon
Walshestown: 9am
Brotentown: 10am
Gainstown: 11am

Daily Mass

7.45am & 10am Cathedral Mon - Sat
9.15am St Paul's Mon-Fri

Eucharistic Adoration

8am-8pm in the Cathedral

Bereavement Support

087-6309808

Child Safeguarding Representatives

Linda Duncan & Maeve Corroon

Collections last weekend

Cathedral: €3,022 Thank
St Paul's: €808 You!
Walshestown: €85
Brotentown: €95
Gainstown: €190
Parish Envelopes: €934

Christmas Day is an offering day for the support of the Bishop and priests of the parish.

Christmas Eve Vigil Masses

St Paul's 6pm (*children's Mass*) & 9pm

Cathedral 6pm & 10pm

Christmas Day Masses

Cathedral 8.30am, 11am & 12.30pm

St Paul's 10.30am & 12noon

Walshestown 9am

Brotentown 10am & Gainstown 10am

Confessions for Christmas in the Cathedral

Penitential Service, Thursday, 7.30pm

Saturday 23rd December 12noon—5pm

Saturday 23rd December, Walshestown Church 10—11am.

After Masses on Christmas Eve in the Cathedral and St Paul's.

Cathedral Carol Service

Please join us in the Cathedral this evening at 5.30pm with the Cathedral Choir, the Cathedral Choristers, The Lynn Singers and Presentation Senior School Choir in a musical celebration of Christmas.



Trócaire Christmas Appeal

"In love there is no room for fear, but perfect love drives out fear..." John 4:18. Trócaire's Christmas Appeal, 'Until Love Conquers Fear', is raising money to support people all over the developing world who face fear every day of their lives – like the fear of not being able to feed their children or the fear of having to flee their homes because of conflict. To find out more about the appeal visit www.trocaire.org

Walshestown Church Next Wednesday at 7.30pm, Fr Joseph will celebrate Mass in Walshestown church to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the re-dedication of the church. All are welcome to attend this special celebration. We remember all those who have worked and served the church down through the years.

If there is anything you would like us to do for you during the final preparations for Christmas, please let us know.



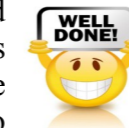
O come, O come Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here,
until the Son of God appear.

Refrain: Rejoice, rejoice, O Israel,
to you shall come Emmanuel.

O come now, Wisdom from on high
who orders all things mightily.
To us, the path of knowledge show,
and teach us in Her ways to go. R./

O come, O come Great Lord of Might,
Who once appeared on Sinai's height,
And gave your faithful people Law,
In all the splendour we adore. R/

Well done to all who entered our art and poetry competition. Some of the art work is on display in St Therese's chapel, please take a moment to have a look. Congratulations to our overall winner of the competition Orla McDermott, from 5th class in Curraghmore School. This is our winning poem....



Families

*Families are like songs. They have good bits and bad bits.
Families are like a circle. The love never stops.*

Families are like parcels. There is always a surprise inside them and you never know what is coming.

Families are like rocks.

There are smooth parts and rough parts.

Families are like a migratory bird they will always come home.

Families are like a dance. Each one is different.

Families are like butterflies. They are unique, beautiful and special in their own way.

Families are like the moon. They glow in darkness and even if you can't see it, it is always there.

Families are like a tree because they all come from the same roots but follow different paths in life.

Parish Calendars for 2018 available from the churches this weekend.

Rest in Peace

Liam Geary, Hillside Drive
Olive Maher, Grange Heights
Kevin McCullagh, Irishtown
Eamon Kilmartin, Mount Lynn
Nan Harty nee Allen, Drumloose & London
Dympna Keena nee Devalley, Dominick St
Patricia Carey nee O'Connor, Dalystown

Mass intentions next week

Monday: 7.45am: Patrick, Mary, Mathew, Kathleen & Madge Fagan.

10am: Billy, Rosie & Philip Moffat.

9.15am: Michael, Jane & Kevin Healy.

Tuesday: 7.45am: William Heffernan.

10am: Patrick Ward. 9.15am: Mary Baker.

Wednesday: 7.45am: Philip Kiernan.

10am: Michael Glennon & Gerard Hussey.

Thursday: 7.45am: Chris Cleary.

10am: Lorenzo Hynes.

9.15am: John & Kathleen Dinnegan.

Friday: 7.45am: George Lord.

10am: Tom O'Donovan & May & Jim Molloy.

9.15am: Newcombe family.

Saturday: 7.45am: Larry, Mary & Olive O'Reilly & Liz Harding nee O'Reilly.

10am: Anniversaries Occurring.

Vigil: Kevin (1st Ann) & Christine Kennedy, O'Growney Drive.

Next Sunday 11am: Patrick Matthews, O'Growney Gardens (1st Ann) 12.30pm: Eileen Hope, Lynn (M.M.) St Paul's 12noon: Terry O'Brien, Pettitswood Manor (M.M.) Walshestown 9am:

Sheila Purcell. Brotentown: 10am: Mary Theresa Hope (M.M.) Gainstown 11am: Aoibhinn Caffrey.

Also this week...

Coláiste Mhuire Carol Service, Tuesday, 2.30pm, Cathedral.

St Mary's Primary Carol Service, Wednesday 1pm, Cathedral.

St Colman's School Carol Service, Thursday, 11am, St Paul's.

Loreto College Carol Service, Thursday, 2.30pm, Cathedral

St Vincent de Paul Due to the recent adverse weather conditions volunteers were unable to collect in all areas of the parish. If you wish, you can leave your contribution into Ozanam House or the Parish Office.

Divine Mercy devotions today 3pm, St Mary's.

St Colmcille's School, Christmas Fair, today 11.30am.

St Colman's School, Christmas Fair, today at 10.30am Mass.

Rotary Club, Remembrance Tree, in aid of North Westmeath Hospice and Local Charities, Please support.

Team would like to thank all who supported their recent collection €2,853 was raised.

Best of luck to **St Loman's** footballers in the Leinster final today.